2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Gallatin Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of Agriculture 2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee 3b. GSA Committee No.

Gallatin Resource Advisory Committee 73550

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 06/21/2016 06/21/2018

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Req to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?
Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

13. 14.

12. Specific Establishment Authority Effective Committee

Presidential?

Date Type

10/03/2008Continuing No

The SRS and Community Self-Determination Act as

reauthorized in PL 110-343 and PL 112-141.

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of No Reports for this

Reports FiscalYear

17a. Open 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$8,969.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$200.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$9,169.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to improve collaborative relations and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

All Gallatin RAC members' terms expired on September 30, 2017. As the committee recruits for new members, its goal will be to be comprised of 15 members, five members in each of the three categories as prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet 1-4 times per year as needed to perform its duties.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Resource Advisory Committee is mandated by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act as reauthorized in Public Law 110-343 and Public Law 112-141.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings? All meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

The Gallatin RAC did not hold any meetings in FY2018.

Designated Federal Officer

Mary Erickson Forest Supervisor

Narrative Description

Over \$10,000,000

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee? Checked if Applies Improvements to health or safety Trust in government Major policy changes Advance in scientific research Effective grant making Improved service delivery Increased customer satisfaction Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements Other **Outcome Comments** Not Applicable What are the cost savings associated with this committee? Checked if Applies None Unable to Determine ✓ Under \$100,000 \$100,000 - \$500,000 \$500,001 - \$1,000,000 \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000 \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000

Cost Savings Other
Cost Savings Comments Not Applicable
What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee? 59
Number of Recommendations Comments As of the end of FY2018, 59 total recommendations for the life of the committee (8 recommendations in FY2017, 11 recommendations FY2016, 26 recommendations from FY2009-FY2011, 8 recommendations in FY2012, 0 recommendations in FY2013, 9 recommendations in FY2014, 0 recommendations in FY2015, and 8 recommendations in FY2016) All recommended projects have moved forward.
What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency? 92%
% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments 55 recommendations have been completed.
What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency? 7%
% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

4 recommendations are in progress.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🗸	No 🗔	Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

The Forest Service (FS) Designated Federal Official regularly reports to the committee on whether recommended projects proposals are or are not approved by the FS. The DFO also reports on actions taken to implement approved projects. This may take the form of verbal reports and presentations at committee meetings, committee field trips and

monitoring activities

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the comm	ittee's advice or
recommendation?	
	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	✓
Reallocated resources	✓
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	✓
Other	
Action Comments	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants	s?
Grant Review Comments	
How is access provided to the information for the Committee's de	ocumentation?

Contact DFO
Online Agency Web Site
Online Committee Web Site
Online GSA FACA Web Site
Publications
Other

Access Comments